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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Trip Report - Eielson AFB, Fairbanks, Alaska

- 1. On 17-18 January 1963 the undersigned visited Eielson AFB to review existing facilities in conjunction with new OXCART operational concept.
- The existing facilities consist of 2-5000 barrels fuel storage tanks and one 120' x 150' insulated steel building enclosed on 3 sides by an 8-foot chain link fence. The hangar is an ARMCO manufactured steel building with 6" concrete floor, steam heat, electric lights, and electrically operated 85-foot door in one end. north end of the hangar are two 12' x 20' offices, one to be used as a COMMO center and the other as an office for the P.O.L. officer. This hanger was adequate for the original concept of using Eielson as a refueling base and to provide a facility to house the A-12 should it make an emergency landing.
- Under the new operational concept for OXCART, additional construction will be required. To determine the construction required, it will be necessary to contact each contractor and obtain his floor space requirements. of Lockheed and the undersigned made the following rough estimate of new construction required:

Hangar - oriented true north 19200 sq.ft. (a) Office, shop, and storage space 9600 sq.ft. (b)

(c) Run up pad

Drill well and water supply system **(a)**

(e) Septic tank

(1)Transformer bank Chain link fence (E)

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The existing hangar would be used for storage of ground handling equipment, R-2 Refuelers, fire truck, and also as a motor pool. Due to the severe weather conditions, all equipment must be housed.

4. The construction season for Eielson is from 15 May through 30 September; therefore, if Eielson is to be used as a staging base in FY-63, construction requirements should be obtained from the C.O. for review and approval by Headquarters as soon as possible. Plans and specifications should be developed and construction started early in May 1963.

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